

## English 259MI Level B2 Based on The Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR)

Preliminary information

B2 is one of the CEFR levels described by the Council of Europe.

English B2 can be defined as:

"The capacity to achieve most goals and express oneself on a range of topics. Examples:

- 1. Can show visitors around and give a detailed description of a place.
- 2. Can **understand the main ideas of complex texts** on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialisation.
- 3. Can **interact** with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible **without strain for either party.**
- 4. Can **produce clear, detailed text** on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options."

## **SYLLABUS**

- 1. Ground linguistic concepts to learn a language.
  - 1.1. Why learning English
  - 1.2. English in the world
- 2. English phonetics
  - 2.1. Italian consonant and vowel systems.
  - 2.2. English consonant and vowel systems.
  - 2.3. Italian specific problems with English pronunciation.
- 3. Morphology
  - 3.1. Italian morphology
  - 3.2. English morphology for Italian speakers.
- 4. Semantics
  - 4.1. Faux-amis
- 5. Understanding and production of complex texts.
  - 5.1. Curriculum and résumé.
  - 5.2. Cover letters, formal letters and emails.
  - 5.3. The academic article: abstract, presentation, results and conclusions.
  - 5.4. The thesis.
  - 5.5. The bibliography. IEEE rules.

## **Complementary information**

Duration of course: 24 hours distributed in 8 weeks.

Units accredited: 3

Final exam: written, multiple-choice type.

Final accreditation: Pass / Fail

First call ("appello"): 15 days after the last day of class.

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